

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Magali BOU et al.

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Application No. 10/560,086

Group 1657

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Examiner H. Lilling

ALCOHOL-TOLERANT MALOLACTIC STRAINS FOR THE MATURATION OF
WINES WITH AVERAGE OR HIGH PH

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 26, 2009

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of November 24, 2008, for which the period for response has been extended three months, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

An **Appendix** is attached following the signature page of this paper.